

84TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. CON. RES. 29

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 17, 1955

Mrs. KELLY of New York submitted the following concurrent resolution; which
was referred to the Committee on Rules

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
2 *concurring), That there is hereby established a Joint Com-*
3 *mittee on Intelligence Matters to be composed of nine Mem-*
4 *bers of the Senate to be appointed by the President of the*
5 *Senate, and nine Members of the House of Representatives*
6 *to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representa-*
7 *tives. In each instance not more than five Members shall*
8 *be members of the same political party.*

9 SEC. 2. The joint committee shall make continuing
10 studies of the intelligence activities and problems relating
11 to the gathering of intelligence affecting the national security
12 and of its coordination and utilization by the various depart-

1 ments, agencies, and instrumentalities of the Government.
2 The Central Intelligence Agency and related intelligence
3 services shall keep the joint committee fully and currently
4 informed with respect to their activities. All bills, resolu-
5 tions, and other matters in the Senate or the House of
6 Representatives relating primarily to the Central Intelligence
7 Agency and related intelligence services shall be referred to
8 the joint committee. The members of the joint committee
9 who are Members of the Senate shall from time to time
10 report to the Senate, and the members of the joint committee
11 who are Members of the House of Representatives shall from
12 time to time report to the House, by bill or otherwise, their
13 recommendations with respect to matters within the juris-
14 diction of their respective Houses which are (1) referred
15 to the joint committee or (2) otherwise within the jurisdic-
16 tion of the joint committee.

17 SEC. 3. Vacancies in the membership of the joint com-
18 mittee shall not affect the power of the remaining members
19 to execute the functions of the joint committee, and shall be
20 filled in the same manner as in the case of the original selec-
21 tion. The joint committee shall select a chairman and a
22 vice chairman from among its members.

23 SEC. 4. The joint committee, or any duly authorized
24 subcommittee thereof is authorized to hold such hearings,

1 to sit and act at such places and times, to require, by subpoena
2 or otherwise, the attendance of such witnesses and the pro-
3 duction of such books, papers, and documents, to administer
4 such oaths, to take such testimony, to procure such printing
5 and binding and to make such expenditures as it deems ad-
6 visable. The cost of stenographic services to report such
7 hearings shall not be in excess of 25 cents per hundred
8 words.

9 SEC. 5. The joint committee is empowered to appoint
10 such experts, consultants, technicians, and clerical and steno-
11 graphich assistants as it deems necessary and advisable. The
12 committee is authorized to utilize the services, information,
13 facilities, and personnel of the departments and establish-
14 ments of the Government.

15 SEC. 6. The expenses of the joint committee, which
16 shall not exceed \$ per year, shall be paid one-half
17 from the contingent fund of the Senate and one-half from
18 the contingent fund of the House of Representatives upon
19 vouchers signed by the chairman. Disbursements to pay such
20 expenses shall be made by the Secretary of the Senate out
21 of the contingent fund of the Senate, such contingent fund
22 to be reimbursed from the contingent fund of the House of
23 Representatives in the amount of one-half of the disburse-
24 ment so made.

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